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SUBJ: HIGH LEVEL ATTENDANCE AT 28TH UNGA

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1. NO INFO YET AVAILABLE ON LIKELY BURMESE HIGH LEVEL ATTENDANCE AT UNGA. RANKING MEMBER MAY BE FOREIGN MINISTER U KYAW SOE, WHO WAS SCHEDULED ATTEND 27TH UNGA LAST YEAR BUT BOWED OUT AT SHORT NOTICE (UNCLEAR WHETHER FOR HEALTH OR OTHER REASONS) AND WAS REPLACED AS HEAD OF DELEGATION BY BURMESE AMB TO U.S. U LWIN WHO ALSO SERVES CONCURRENTLY AS PERM REP TO UN. ON OTHER HAND, SINCE KYAW SOE DUE TO ATTEND ALGIERS NON-ALIGNED CONFERENCE, IT IS POSSIBLE ANOTHER CABINET MINISTER MAY BE SELECTED TO ATTEND UNGA, AS HAS BEEN THE CASE IN SEVERAL RECENT YEARS. COMPLICATING FACTOR THIS YEAR IS THAT IMPORTANT CONGRESS OF BURMA SOCIALIST PROGRAM PARTY DUE TO BE HELD IN SEPTEMBER OR OCTOBER AND MAY TIE DOWN CABINET MEMBERS IN RANGOON AT LEAST FOR SOME TIME. IF SO, U LWIN MAY AGAIN HEAD DELEGATION.

2. TWO BURMESE AMBASSADORS SERVING ABROAD USUALLY INCLUDED IN

DELEGATION, WITH POSSIBILITY THAT AMBASSADORS TO BELGRADE AND ROME MAY AGAIN APPEAR AS IN 1972.

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3. DELEGATION ALSO USUALLY INCLUDES TWO MFA OFFICERS AND TWO PARTY OFFICIALS. WE UNDERSTAND U PYI SOE, DIRECTOR, UN AND ECONOMIC DEPARTMENTS, MFA, WHO ATTENDED 26TH AND 27TH UNGAS, WILL PROBABLY GO AGAIN THIS YEAR. DAW THAN HAN, CHIEF, EUROPE AND AMERICA DIVISION, MFA, A VETERAN OF SEVERAL UNGA'S, BUT WHO WAS NOT ON DELEGATION IN 1972 HAS INDICATED DOUBT SHE WILL BE PRESENT THIS YEAR.

4. ATTENDANCE OF CHAIRMAN NE WIN APPEARS MOST UNLIKELY UNLESS GROUP OF NON-ALIGNED CHIEFS OF STATE OR HEADS OF GOVERNMENT DECIDE DESCEND ON UNGA. NE WIN IS CURRENTLY IN SWITZERLAND AND IS EXPECTED ATTEND ALGIERS CONFERENCE. EVEN IF HE DID APPEAR IN NY, IT IS VERY DOUBTFUL THAT HE WOULD REQUEST CALL ON PRESIDENT. MARTIN

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